



## Raiders look to jump-start season

By Brett Williams & Nick Mattice

The short trip to Mexico will go a long way toward determining the rest of the season for the Fulton varsity football team. An 0-3 start has put the Raiders in an uncharacteristic position of trying to recover and avenge their two disappointing losses to Indian River and Whitesboro and an unfortunate heartbreaking loss to East Syracuse-Minoa

And while Fulton has owned the series against their nearby rivals in recent campaigns, if last year's 15-7 victory was any indicator, it will be an all-out battle when the two teams line up at 5:30 p.m.

The absence of Coach Connors has left the Raiders feeling like a family that is void of its patriarch. With former Assistant Coaches Rothrock and Halladay stepping up to take on the pressure of the coach who holds the record for the most wins in Fulton Football history, they look to maintain the pride and tradition the Raiders have acquired over the last decade.

But unlike past encounters, the Raiders come into tonight's contest as the underdog as they will look to take advantage of Mexico, which has always been one of Fulton's biggest rivals. The Raiders will look to shut down Austin LaBouef who carried 10 times for 139 yards and scored twice and Brandon Burnham who also tallied two touchdowns in last week's 48-13 rout of Oswego Buccaneers.

Fulton aims to use their speedy backfield consisting of senior quarterback Brett Williams, senior tailback Donald Watson, and junior fullback Bryan Benton to take over Mexico's defense.

Defense will be an issue on both sides of the ball as Fulton has yielded 129 points in three games while Mexico has given up 96. Offensively the Tigers have been to the end zone with regularity, scoring 104 points in their first three games while the Raiders have only managed 43.

"It's the little things like fumbling the ball, not making the correct reads, and not staying on our blocks that has hurt us through our past games," stated Coach Rothrock. "We practice the way we play" is the motto that circulates through the Raider locker room, and out on

### Fulton (0-3) vs. Mexico (1-2)

5:30 p.m. tonight

@ Mexico



#### Fulton Red Raiders (0-3)

Fulton 23 Indian River 55  
Fulton 0 Whitesboro 51  
Fulton 20 East Syr.-Minoa 23  
PF: 43 PA: 129

#### Mexico Tigers (1-2)

Mexico 30 Carthage 33  
Mexico 26 Watertown 50  
Mexico 48 Oswego 13  
PF: 104 PA: 96

#### Class A American Football Standings

	W	L	T
Cortland (1-2)	1	0	0
ES-M (1-2)	1	0	0
Mexico (1-2)	1	0	0
<b>Fulton (0-3)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
J-D (0-3)	0	1	0
Oswego (0-3)	0	1	0

(overall record in parenthesis)

#### Other Class A games this weekend:

##### Friday:

Oswego @ Cortland (7 p.m.)  
J-D @ ES-M (6:30)  
Camden @ New Hartford (7 p.m.)  
Watertown @ Indian River (7 p.m.)  
Carthage @ Whitesboro (7 p.m.)

the practice field. This will be crucial as the Raiders prepare for Mexico on Friday. With the Raiders not having depth, it is up to them to practice even harder this week.

Watson stated, "This weeks focus is consistency, we haven't been cued onto that in our

previous games. Although we are 0-3 we will strive to work hard and come out on top this Friday." It comes down to heart, and who wants this game more. Who will take the initiative, the Raiders or the Tigers? The answer will be provided tonight.

## Fast start carries booters

The Fulton varsity soccer team bounced back nicely from Tuesday's disappointment at Chittenango to record a big win on Thursday over the Cortland Tigers. Shaking off their offensive woes from a 2-0 setback, Coach Wilson's booters charged quick out of the gate on their familiar confines to score three times in the opening half en route to a 3-0 triumph.

Raider excellence started early as junior Eric Naioti put the ball past the keeper. Fellow junior Joe Sutton also tickled the twine moments before Naioti snuck a long chip into the back corner, giving the Raiders a 3-0 lead over the Purple Tigers. The half ended without another

score, giving Fulton hopes of another shutout.

Cortland came out relentless early in the second half, but the Raiders withheld the barrage, and the game continued at a 3-0 pace. Netminder Tyler French had a flawless game, including several incredible saves. He finished with five on the night, and the Raiders cruised to a 3-0 victory. The game became physical, but Fulton showed excellent composure and kept their noses clean.

The Raiders are currently 4-4-1 on the season, and play Mexico at home on Tuesday.

By Colin Shannon

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## Opinion

# Bodley junior breaks past gender barrier

By Brenna Merry

In life there will always be barriers to break and obstacles to overcome. People will face stereotypes until the end of time and until one individual moves past them they will always exist. This year at G. Ray Bodley High School, junior, Alex Bawarski, has broken one of these walls down.

G. Ray Bodley is full of many clubs, teams and activities. The people who join these groups are usually categorized by whether they are male or female. Boys join football when girls do cheerleading. It does not seem right to designate things in this way, but we do so whether we like it or not.

For as long as the G. Ray Bodley dance team has existed there has never been a boy on the team, or even one to try out.

But that all changed at last weeks try-outs when the 2010-2011 dance team was decided. Along with the fourteen girls there is now one boy, Alex Bawarski. Although Alex is only going to be a part of the dances

that a boy can fit into, he is a member nonetheless and the first boy on the G. Ray Bodley dance team. The team is excited for the new diversity. Coach Sarah Percival said, "It'll be fun to choreograph for a boy on the team, I've never had that chance."

When asked his feelings about being on dance team Alex said, "I'm happy to be on dance team because I like to dance and it feels good to be the first guy on the team. I don't even care what people think about it."

Alex is known school wide for his dance moves at school assemblies and is sure to help the team entertain the crowd during this basketball season. The masses will also be entertained at this year's Pep Rally next Friday where the



dance team does their annual performance.

The activities a person can do should not be decided by the way in which they were born. If we live life in this way people are going to miss out on many things they would truly love.

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**GRB junior Alex Bawarski**



**No stranger to the spotlight as a member of the Quirk's Players, Alex Bawarski recently became the first male member of the GRB Dance team. (file photo)**

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*Albert Einstein*

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## Guidance welcomes student intern

By Kayla Hanczyk

Many people have taken notice of a new face in the G. Ray Bodley High School counseling staff. This face is that of Mr. Barnes, who will be student teaching here under Mr. Ascenzi for the next few months, learning more about being a high school guidance counselor. Mr. Barnes says that he really likes it here at GRB and has loved getting to know some of the student body and would like to meet many more new people. He says, "the students here seem very nice and like a lot of fun." He also has enjoyed getting to work with and know Mr. Ascenzi, who he says, "is a real character."

Mr. Barnes grew up in Marcellus with two older brothers and loves his family. He is currently going to Oswego State for graduate school, but went to Binghamton for undergraduate, and is going to get his masters in school counseling. One semester in college he even went to Barcelona, Spain to study and had many great experiences there, he advocates studying abroad in college and says it is a wonderful experience.

Outside of school however Mr. Barnes enjoys sports like football and wrestling, he even wrestled competitively in college. He also enjoys chess and says that he is up for a challenge, so stop in and see him for a game. He

enjoys many simple things like watching the show *The Office* on TV, listening to music by *Less Than Jake*, *Streetlight Manifesto*, and *Phish*, and watching many genres of movies from horror to comedy. Some of his favorite movies are *The Big Lebowski*, *Casino*, and *Friday The 13th*.



Guidance intern Mr. Barnes.



### Three new offerings

This weekend is an eclectic mix of many new movies coming to the big screen. These three new movies are hitting the main stream on Friday and include *The Town*, *Jack Goes Boating* and *Easy A*.

*The Town* - Ben Affleck, a very well known actor, is stepping behind the screen as director and creating a thrill of a movie. *The Town* is a crime filled drama that has a similar setting as *Gone Baby Gone*, but features a much larger cast. Overall *The Town* is sure to be a thriller and will leave you wanting more.

*Jack Goes Boating* - As another director makes his feature debut, Philip Seymour Hoffman looks to knock people off their feet by portraying a love story with betrayal and friendship centered around two New York City couples.

*Easy A* - With actors like Amanda Bynes and Emma Stone you know this romantic comedy has to be good. A high school student relies on rumors to boost her social and financial status. This movie is sure to be a must watch for drama loving high school students.

### Raiders fall in soccer, golf

It was a different night but the same story for the varsity girls soccer team when the Raiders dropped their second 2-0 decision of the week. As was the case in Tuesday's 2-0 loss to Chittenango, the Raiders gave up a goal in each half while failing to find the back of the opposing net in a 2-0 defeat at Cortland. Rachel Prentice did the damage for the 6-1 Purple Tigers by scoring both goals to back a three save shutout from Amanda Shelley. Stephanie Hotaling registered four saves for the Raiders, who fell to 2-4 with the loss.

Undefeated Christian Brothers Academy had five players break 40 on their way to a 187-222 win over the Raiders at Drumlin's Country Club on Thursday. Upping their record to 6-0 on the season, the Brothers were paced by Josh Rathburn's 36. Matt Liberti fired a medalist 35 for Fulton while Connor Goss carded a 41 and Dan Wahl a 43 as the Raiders dipped to 2-5 on the season.

## GRB Spirit Week!

September 27 to October 1

Monday, Sept. 27:

Support your favorite cause day

Powderpuff Football game: Seniors vs. Juniors

Tuesday, Sept. 28:

Decade Day--pick a decade (50's, 60's etc. and dress up)

Wednesday, Sept. 29:

Mix-n-Match Day

Thursday, Sept. 30:

Formal day

Friday, Oct. 1:

Red Raider Pride Day

Pep assembly

Fulton vs. Oswego football @ 6:30 p.m.

Student Senate dance, 8-11 p.m.



# New season, new crew for weekly NFL picks

The names and the faces may change, but not the passion for football. Starting this week four members of the RaiderNet Daily staff and advisor Mr. Senecal will provide their weekly observations and picks for four of the biggest games on the National Football League schedule. All five are hoping to become this year's champion to follow in the footsteps of our 2009-2010 winner, Jake Tallents. Remember, this is all in fun, and don't bet the farm on our picks.



**Brett Williams**

## Dallas @ Houston

The Cowboys have started the season at 0-2, losing to both the Washington Redskins and the Chicago Bears. On the other hand, the Houston Texans started their season off strong at 2-0 by defeating some of the top contenders including last year's Super Bowl runner-up Indianapolis. With both Matt Schaub and Arian Foster, the Texans feel a sense of confidence as they head into this week's game versus the Cowboys. Tony Romo will have to have one of his best games to outrun and throw against the Texans defense. I believe Romo won't be able to handle the pressure, and possibly lead his team to another loss.

Brett's Pick: Houston 28- Dallas 14

## Indianapolis @ Denver

Indianapolis has come out of the gates with a record of 1-1 while Denver has been taking control early in the season, starting off 2-0. With Peyton Manning being one of the best quarterbacks in the NFL, he will try and lead his team to a victory. Manning's line is strong, letting him set up in the pocket and throw for numerous yards

each game. In this game the record of the Colts may not matter, they've got depth in every position with Joseph Addai at tailback, Reggie Wayne at receiver, and more. This game will come down to the quarterbacks, Peyton Manning and Kyle Orton. In the end, the Colts' defense will overwhelm Orton and the Colts will finish the night with a win.

Brett's pick: Colts 31 - Broncos 24

## New York Jets @ Miami

The Jets start out even with a 1-1 record, winning against the New England Patriots and losing to the Baltimore Ravens. The Jets' future depends on Mark Sanchez and Ladanian Tomlinson to lead them to a victory. Although the Jets' offense is strong, they just found themselves in a hole with one of their main passing targets, Braylon Edwards, who just recently received a DUI. I believe Mark Sanchez is on and off with his playing, he sometimes has a good game but occasionally he doesn't play his best. I'm going to have to go with the Dolphins on this game, they've shown strength on both sides of the ball.

Brett's Pick: Dolphins 24- Jets 17

## Green Bay @ Chicago

This game will come down to a dogfight in the fourth quarter as both teams have started their season off 2-0. The team with the fewer amount of turnovers will come out on top. With Jay Cutler starting his season off

with over 600 yards passing, five touchdowns, and only one interception. I believe it'll be difficult for the Packers to defend him and the control he has over the game. This is a tough pick, but I'm going to have to go with the Bears on this one.

Brett's Pick: Bears 24- Packers 21



**Don Wilmot**

## Dallas @ Houston:

After averaging 283.0 passing yards, and 157.5 yards, in two games, Houston is looking great this year. However, Houston has given up an average of 411.0 passing yards, but only an average of 31.0 on the ground. Dallas has two very close losses, and is in second for average passing yards, with 325.5 a game. If Dallas wants any chance at winning this game, they are going to have to open with an aerial assault, and wear down the Houston defense.

Don's pick: Houston: 21 Dallas: 10.

## Indianapolis @ Denver:

No surprise, Indianapolis is in first place already with passing yards, averaging 334.5 in the first two games. Reggie Wayne has 14 receptions for 195 yards, and two

touchdowns, and Austin Collie has 15 receptions for 188 yards, and two touchdowns. Peyton Manning has already thrown the ball 83 times, completing 60 passes, for 688 yards, and six touchdowns. Denver has given up an average of 197.5 passing yards in the first two, and passed for their own average of 289.0. Both teams are looking great coming off wins last week.

Don's pick: Indianapolis: 34 Denver: 17.

## N.Y Jets @ Miami:

The Jets look great, after a big 28-14 win over New England last week, and it appears the Jets may have worked out the kinks in their offense and defense. The Jets put up 336 total yards last week after putting up only 176 total against the Ravens. Miami, on the other hand, although 2-0, has two close wins, beating Buffalo 15-10, and Minnesota 14-10, Miami does not look as good as they have been the past two years.

Don's pick: N.Y Jets: 24 Miami: 14.

## Green Bay @ Chicago:

Both teams are looking very impressive after the first two games, winning them both with Chicago beating Detroit and Dallas while putting up impressive passing numbers by averaging 316.0 yards in the first two, and holding the opposing team to an average of 28.0 rushing yards. After an easy first two games, Chicago will be Green Bay's first real test, Green Bay has averaged 211.0 passing

yards through the first two games, while holding their opponents to an average of 116.5 passing yards.

Don's pick: Chicago: 24 Green bay: 10



**Max Fobes**

## Dallas Cowboys @ Houston Texans

Call them butter; they're on a role. Texans are leading the division with a 2-0 run to kickoff the season. Falling to last in the NFC east, the cowboys need to step up their game to stand a chance on the road in Houston. For the Battle of Texas I give Houston an easy win.

Max's Pick: Houston

## Indianapolis @ Denver

Both holding their place with records of 1-1 this game could be the true test of the outcome of a season. After leaping over the Giants in a 38-14 win, the Colts seem to have caught fire since their first loss at Houston. On the other hand the Broncos took on the Seahawks and ran to an easy win over the 'Hawks 31-14. At the end of the night I see veteran Peyton Manning leading the Colts to their second "W" of the season.

Max's Pick: Indianapolis (continued on page 5)

# Interesting weekend ahead in the NFL

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## N.Y. Jets @ Miami

The Jets got the wake-up call after opening their season with a loss to the heavily armed Raven defense, falling 10-9, then taking down a strong New England team 28-14. I believe the NY Jets are back. Miami has started their 2010 season 2-0 on the road at Buffalo and Minnesota, but this week their schedule kicks it up a notch. Even without star defensive back Darrelle Revis I think the NY "D" will hold the Dolphins back for the win.  
Max's Pick: Jets

## Green Bay @ Chicago

The fight for the NFC North is on. Both atop the division, the Bears and Packers stand with overall records of 2-0. After walking through their first two wins over Philly and Buffalo, the Packers and Andy Rogers have the edge. Chicago also stepped over their first two opponents, but the Bears are in for a true test. In front of the home crowd and for first place in the division, I don't think they will be able to rise to the occasion. In a nail-bitter I give this one to the cheese-heads.  
Max's Pick: Packers



**Nick Mattice**

## Dallas @ Houston

Dallas will be coming off two losses to start the season. The Houston Texans are coming in with

two wins in which they proved to be the better team. The offense of Houston has greatly improved over last season with the addition of running back Arian Foster. He adds a spark to this offense in the ground game that has been lacking over the past few seasons. Texans quarterback Matt Schaub is off to an incredible start throwing for 497 yards and three touchdowns. This Texans offense may prove to be too much for the visiting Cowboys to handle.

Nick's Pick: Houston 31- Dallas 14

## Indianapolis @ Denver

The Colts suffered from an upsetting loss week one to the Texans, but they were able to bounce back and overwhelm the New York Giants in a 38-14 blowout. The Denver Broncos, however, are also coming off an impressive win over the Seattle Seahawks. This will be a close game, but in the end it will come down to the quarterback position and Manning will win that battle over Orton.

Nick's Pick: Indianapolis 28-Denver 21

## New York J @ Miami

The New York Jets had a rough outing in week one which had people saying this team is "Overhyped." They were put to the test week two as they faced the powerful New England Patriots. They came out ready to play and focused and proved to the rest of the league that they are a team to beat. If the Jets are able to keep their heart and determination they will be a top contender in the AFC and possibly the NFL. The Miami Dolphins, however,

are off to an impressive 2-0 start. This will be a great AFC- East fight and could possibly show who will be atop the division for this season.

Nick's Pick: New York J 21-Miami 17

## Green Bay @ Chicago

The Green Bay Packers and the Chicago Bears both are having an incredible start to the season. Defense will play a huge role in this game as these two teams both have shown they comprise a high-powered offense. This Packers defense may prove to be too much for Cutler and the Bears.

Nick's Pick: Green Bay 24-Chicago 14



## Mr. Senecal

### Packers @ Bears

Both teams have opened up in impressive fashion, but the Bears have tougher draw, especially in facing and beating Dallas last weekend. Green Bay piled on the points in the preseason, but they will face a much better defense this time around. For that reason, I'm picking "da Bears!"

Mr. S's Pick: Chicago 23 Green Bay 17

### Cowboys @ Texans

As much as I'd like to see the 'Boys start at 0-3, I can't see it happening. The Texans beat them in the preseason, and this is certainly a scrap for

Texas pride. That's why I am going with the Cowboys, even though I won't really be rooting for them.

Mr. S's Pick: Dallas 28 Houston 27

### Colts @ Broncos

The Broncos always get off to a fast start, and this year is no exception. Indy may have stumbled in week one, but I get the feeling a lot of teams will struggle against Houston. Payton Manning and company know how to win, even in the altitude, so I'm riding the Colts in this one.

Mr. S's pick: Indianapolis 34 Denver 20

### Jets @ Dolphins

I despise the Jets and adore the Dolphins. New York seems to thrive in the turmoil, while I have to admit that I am shocked to see the Dolphins at 2-0, especially since it meant winning in Buffalo and then beating a Minnesota team that never lost a home game all season. Here's hoping that Miami's home opener goes their way, in what looms as a defensive struggle. And if the Jets had any brass, they would suspend a player who gets arrested at 5:15 am.

Mr S's Pick: Miami 13 Jets 10

## Upcoming College Visits

**Friday, Sept. 24:** Paul Smith College (8:30 a.m.)

**Monday, Sept. 27:** SUNY Geneseo (noon)

**Tuesday, Sept. 28:** Albany College of Pharmacy (12:30 p.m.)

**Thursday, Sept. 30:** SUNY IT (9:30 a.m.); RIT (10 a.m.)

**Friday, Oct. 1:** St. John Fisher (1:30 p.m.); Cayuga CC (12:15)

## This week in Raider Sports

**Today:** V football @ Mexico (5:30).

**Mon. Sept. 27:** Golf @ ES-M blue (3:30).

**Tues. Sept. 28:** V tennis @ ES-M (4:30); JV tennis vsd. ES-M (4:45); Boys soccer vs. Cortland (4:30); Girls soccer @ Cortland (4:30).



**Wed. Sept. 29:** Swimming vs. CBA (5:00); Cross-country @ Phoenix (4:30);

**Thurs. Sept. 30:** V tennis @ Mexico (4:30); JV tennis vs. Mexico (4:30); Golf @ Chittenango (3:30); Boys soccer @ Homer (5/7:30); Girls soccer vs. Homer (5:00).

# School of Thought compiled by Tyler Crandal & James McKay What famous sports figure(s) would help Fulton the most in their game against Mexico tonight?



"Emitt Smith!"  
**Mrs. Ruzekowicz**



"Bobby Boucher. (The Waterboy)"  
**Mark Bailey**



"Jim Boenheim."  
**Mrs. Ryan**



"The Fulton Varsity Soccer Team"  
**Mr. Murray**

## Morning announcements for Friday, September 24

The first edition of *The Raider* student newspaper is available today during advisory.

Any seniors interested in the Mr. Legs or Ms. Lips contests should come to room 241 today to get their picture taken or their lip smack done.

A representative from Paul Smith College will be in the guidance office today to meet with interested students.

Good luck to the varsity football team as they travel to Mexico this evening to take on the Tigers. Kickoff is at 5:30 p.m. Go Raiders!

Buying lunch today? You'll have a choice between turkey hotdog on a bun, mac and cheese with breadstick or smuckers PBJ.

## Meteorology and you

by Carson Metcalf

**Today:** Sun and clouds. High in the low to mid-80s.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low in the mid to upper-50s.

**Tomorrow:** Partly sunny with a rain shower. High near 60, low in the mid-40s.  
**Sunday:** Partly sunny. High around 60, low in the mid-40s.

*GRB junior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist and the creator of the Central New York Weather Center @ [www.centralnewyorkweather.com](http://www.centralnewyorkweather.com) ...Look for his weather forecasts on RaiderNet Daily.*

